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Nurse sacked after sex texts to patient

BY JAMES AVERILL

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A HOSPITAL nurse who sent a patient a Valentine's Day message saying he wanted to spank her has been sacked – but has only been banned from nursing for three months.

Mark Bennett used the woman's confidential records to get her phone number after he treated her for a finger injury at Milton Keynes Hospital on February 11 last year.

Three days later, on February 14, he sent her a text saying: 'Hello gorgeous, hows u? When do I get to put u over my knee and spank that sexy bum of yours? Lol xx'.

Bennett tried to hide his true identity from the woman but she soon realised he was the triage nurse who had treated her.

She reported Bennett to police for harassment, telling detectives: "I feel very concerned about the data protection of any other person attending Milton Keynes Hospital in the future."

But the hospital told MK NEWS that it had dismissed Bennett following an internal disciplinary process and referred him to the Nursing and Midwifery Council.

The spokesman added: "This was an isolated incident and patients can be assured we take data protection and patient confidentiality extremely seriously and have robust processes in place to ensure sensitive information is accessed appropriately."

Bennett later told the council hearing that he had recently split from his partner of two years and was being denied access to his children at the time of the incident.

Sara Nathan, chairing the hearing, said: "This sort of misconduct is likely to cause the public to lose confidence in the profession."

Bennett admitted acting inappropriately towards the patient by accessing her details and the panel suspended him for three months.

Letters 'won't alter' verdict on car park

PLANNING chiefs at Milton Keynes Council have said letters in support of a new multi-storey car park next to John Lewis will not sway their minds when making a decision.

Local pressure group Xplain had raised concerns that the centre:mk had been canvassing support from residents in areas covered by councillors sitting on the development control committee, which will decide whether to grant the £30million scheme planning approval.

In a letter to the council's chief executive, Carole Mills, Xplain chairman Linda Inoki said the shopping centre was being 'misleading and manipulative' as 101 letters out of 118 in support of the car park were addressed to a councillor serving on the committee.

One resident who signed a letter, Caroline Cann from Two Mile Ash, told MK NEWS: "They said they were from the shopping centre and asked whether I minded putting my name and address on the letter. I knew that was the letter and supported it, but didn't know it was going to a councillor."

But Cllr Brian White, a member of the committee, said: "People have done it on both sides for years. But councillors will make a judgement based on policy and design. The fact we have received letters will not alter the issues we make judgements on."

Responding to Xplain's complaint, James Waugh, centre director of the centre:mk, said: "We have worked with these supporters to ensure their voices are heard by relevant councillors, just as Xplain and the town council are doing when they encourage template emails objecting. It is important that all voices are heard and that there is a balanced debate."

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Children living in poverty

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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TWO in five children are now living below the poverty line in some areas of the city – which is more than double the national average.

According to figures in the Milton Keynes Community Foundation's Vital Signs Report 2014, more children in wards including Campbell Park, Eaton Manor and Woughton are now living below the breadline.

The figure has doubled in these areas when compared to last year's figures from the foundation, which showed one in five youngsters were living in poverty.

This prompted it to launch its Eat Sleep Play Love campaign to help families in crisis.

Chief executive Julia Upton said: "Twelve areas in MK are within the poorest 10 per cent of the UK. It is estimated that the UK is heading towards 3.5million of its children living in poverty by 2020. Following last year's Vital Signs report we allocated £70,000 for organisations helping children and families in crisis in MK. We've also launched Eat Sleep Play Love and are raising £50,000 to end child poverty."

According to the Government, a family of four living on £16,000 a year is in poverty. But a study in 2009 found a family needs £27,600 to have a decent standard of living.

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Prize: Elisha Enfield is in the running to win the Griffin Art Prize 2014. Picture by Andy Handley

Artist is gunning for a Griffin

AN ARTIST is on the shortlist for the Griffin Art Prize 2014.

If Willen artist Elisha Enfield, 25, wins the honour, she will be given a six-month residency in a large well-lit studio above West London's Griffin Gallery next year.

She would also receive a supply of the world's finest artist materials from Winsor & Newton, Liquitex and Conté à Paris

Elisha is one of 20 looking to win the prize, which aims to scour the nation for the best painters and drawers.

The prize is judged by arts editor and chief art critic at The Sunday Telegraph Alastair Smart, owner and chairman of Lindéngruppen Jenny Lindén, director of Camden Arts Centre Jenni Lomax OBE and international artists Gordon Cheung and Anj Smith.

The winner will be selected on November 18.

Bright idea to make redways safer to use

MILTON Keynes Council is to make a series of improvements to redways in a bid to make them safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

The latest set of improvements includes replacing older lighting with new energy-efficient LED lights – which the council hopes will shave three per cent off it's annual energy bill, as well as improving visibility.

Six-hundred new lamppost columns were installed last year and a further 500 are planned for this financial year with the low energy lanterns.

Council leader Peter Marland had said in August that cyclists should use redways instead of grid roads. And now vegetation is being cut back to make the redways and their entrances more accessible to make pedestrians and cyclists safer.

Upgrades have already been carried out along sections of the V8 Marlborough Street, Railway Walk and the V6 Grafton Street and form part of the council's £50million highway investment programme. Cllr Mick Legg, cabinet member for public realm, said: "We want to encourage people to use the redway network more, which is sadly underused – the redways can take you across the borough without the need for going on the grid roads, which is safer for cyclists and pedestrians."

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All aboard the health train

JUMP aboard the health train of the fat controller.

Health and fitness expert Jill Gardner, from Gayhurst, has put together a free support group to help residents ditch bad habits and learn how to feed the whole family with healthy food.

Jill, aka the Fat Controller, said: "As a teenager, I faced my own struggles where I didn't like sport but tried all diets.

"As well as fitness advice and videos, I run cookery courses too. I can work with people online, via email, or face-to-face.

"At a networking event, I once described the journey I take people on is like a train, which is where the name Fat Controller came from."

The 40-year-old offers a six-week programme, health retreats, cookery courses using food that helps burn fat and a DVD that offers a home workout users can do in just 10 minutes.

Jill added: "I am waging a war against #beigedeadfood and I am on a mission to create an army of fat controllers who are free from the fat race."

■ Read her top five food myths at www.mkweb.co.uk

Helping you control fat: Jill Gardner didn't always look this great. See how she helped herself before helping others on MKWeb

Father accused of son's death

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A FATHER has gone on trial charged with manslaughter after his son who was helping him fix a roof fell to his death.

The prosecution claim roofing contractor Tony Broadbent was grossly negligent in his safety procedures which cost his son Kyle his life.

Mr Broadbent, 61, from High Street, Harrold, denies the charge and also pleads not guilty to failing to discharge his duty as an employer.

As MK NEWS previously reported, Kyle was 25 when he died on August 18, 2012, at a warehouse in Newport Pagnell. He lived in Furzton and occasionally helped his father but was not a trained roofer.

Prosecutor Iain Wicks told the jury at Luton Crown Court on Monday: "They were both on the roof and he saw Kyle walking towards him and realised in a split second what was about to happen.

"He called to him to stop but it was too late. He had stepped on to one of the brittle skylights they were replacing."

The barrister said he had fallen about seven metres, but the warehouse was locked, and the fire brigade had to force their way in.

"Sadly the reality is that even without the delay nothing could have been done to save him," said Mr Wicks.

He added there were a number of precautions that should have been taken.

"It is complacency, lack of care and taking undue risks that cost Kyle his life."

■ For updates on the case visit www.mkweb.co.uk

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Man due in court

ABDUL Azid, 32, of Glovers Lane, Heelands, is due to appear at Aylesbury Crown Court on Monday charged with false imprisonment, assault and threats to kill a woman.

Christmas lights up

BLETCHLEY and Fenny Stratford Town Council has said it has started putting up Christmas lights in Victoria Road to be 'super organised'. More at **mkweb.co.uk**.

Wanted man picture

POLICE have released a picture of Alex Fraser, who is wanted in connection with the distraction burglary of an OAP. See **mkweb.co.uk**.

Old mayor may be booted out

THE disgraced former mayor faces being booted off a committee – in order to 'retain public confidence'.

Cllr Isobel McCall stormed out of a health and adult social care select committee meeting last night after a motion was passed requesting the Liberal Democrat group remove Subhan Shafiq from the committee at the next full meeting of Milton Keynes Council on October 22.

Lib Dem Cllr McCall said the motion was 'vindictive' and 'politics of the nastiest sort'. But committee chairman, Conservative Alice Bramall, said residents need to feel they can 'trust' the group's decisions.

Nose broken in road attack

A MOTORIST had his nose broken after another driver punched him through the car window at a roundabout.

Between midnight and 12.15am last Wednesday a man in his 30s gave way to a white Vauxhall coming from the right at the Midsummer Roundabout in Elder Gate.

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Driving the same point

IF THERE is one thing certain in this life it is that any hint or suggestion of lowering speed limits will draw forth a letter from John Bint (*Letters, MK NEWS, October 1*).

He's always telling us that not being able to belt down the grid roads at 70mph will result in the collapse of the MK economy.

Of course this is absolute nonsense and if our prosperity really did depend on the 70 limit on the grid roads we would soon be in trouble because it is inevitable that limits will have to be lowered in some places at some time in the future.

Many American cities have grid road layouts and I doubt if any of them allow such speeds and, even on the freeways, limits are a lot lower than ours and are enforced.

You mention in your paper that just over a thousand of your readers have voted for the speed limit to remain the same.

Considering this is a city of nearly a quarter of a million this is a derisory outcome. Most of those voting will consist of those who take no notice of speed limits anyway and are boringly vociferous about it.

Why are we motorists plagued with speed humps, cameras and traffic calming measures, which make driving such a pain.

It's because, as a body, we have proved that we can't be trusted to drive sensibly if left to our own devices.

To watch cars bobbing up and down Newport Pagnell High Street shows what the selfish few have reduced us to.

So give it a rest Mr Bint, let's try to prove we don't need obstacles to get us to drive sensibly.

Michael Weinberg
Giffard Park

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Gear up for a change

ADVOCATE of MK's 'car city' culture, John Bint, has his head in the sands of time – while it's fast running out.

Perhaps for a start, John, you'd like to take a look around in the world and sense shifts in behaviour.

MK mums are taking notice of the threat to family health that comes with obesity, especially in the nation's OB-cities, of which we are one.

Yet again it's our mums who are leading the way and getting their families on their feet and their self-propelled wheels – aka their bicycles.

All over the city the cash registers for these are ringing loudly, along with their bells, to warn of 'my silent cyclist's approach', whether by redway or grid road. And for Jonny and Jenny, whose mum said 'never ride on the road' when they were small, they still insist on circuiting the centre:mk on the pavement at age 20 plus.

In your world, John, grid-locked roads are inevitable as MK's planned expansion remorselessly evolves.

The example of average 40 and 50mph speed limits on the M1 during the prolonged years of lane-widening show that road capacity increases with a reduction in speed limits. Not only that, road user stress levels reduce along with air pollution and fewer people get injured or killed.

And your response, John, was, 'it couldn't be predicted', when a loose granite curb stone pieced the bottom of the bus at The Point and severely injured a passenger.

Perhaps not 'predictable', but certainly foreseeable as a possible outcome in a road infrastructure that's stressed by excessive speeds and at the mercy of a reactive maintenance regime – and that always seems to spring into action at the least convenient moment in the least convenient places.

Philip A Wareham
Sent via email

Fear keeps us on road

YOUR article entitled 'Readers say no to lower speed' (*MK NEWS, October 1*) contains a very badly informed and insensitive comment regarding pedestrians.

It said: "There is no reason to be crossing larger roads in and around Milton Keynes".

On the contrary, there is a very good reason – fear. At night, a number of people, particularly women, are frightened by the prospect of assault in the underpasses.

Not so long ago, there was a serious sexual assault in one of them. The risk of harm might well be greater on the road but the human brain is not built in such a way as to reflect that statistic.

Frederick Toates
Marshworth, Tinkers Bridge

The price of parking

I DO not live in Wolverton, however, I do use the Tesco store there.

The reason for denying planning permission for a new Aldi store on the old car showroom site in the town is obvious (*Letters, MK NEWS, October 1*).

In both of the sites offered by Milton Keynes Council, the parking would be shared, but in the site preferred by the residents and Aldi there is ample dedicated parking for the store.

Plus, if they did manage to obtain this site, they will hoover up trade from Tesco – both Tesco and the council are aware that the public prefer to park as near as possible to a supermarket, so a store with no parking will struggle.

W Grist
Great Holm

Dawn of a new age?

CONGRATULATIONS to Milton Keynes Age UK for organising a great event celebrating the International Day of Older Persons (IDOP) on October 1 at Milton Keynes Theatre.

The event included an inspirational speech by Jan Lloyd, MK's older people's champion, excellent musical contributions from The Fenny Stompers and John Pinkerton and a number of stalls, including one run by the Milton Keynes Pensioners Association, with information relevant to older people.

The IDOP was designated by the United Nations in 1991 to celebrate the skills and achievements of older people and to applaud the contribution that they make to society.

It is also an opportunity to promote positive images of older people and counteract negative stereotypes. This becomes more important in Milton Keynes as the population ages.

IDOP has not yet established itself on the Milton Keynes calendar, but after this successful event, let us hope that MK Age UK, Milton Keynes Council, the MK Health family, the private sector and other partners will ensure that celebrating IDOP will become a permanent feature on the MK landscape.

Dave Brunwin
Stony Stratford

Jon Brett's City Life

His column written exclusively for MK NEWS

OLD MILTON Keynes meets new with the massive development currently under construction in the north of the city.

Grandly titled Stony Manor and Stratford Fields, next to the V4 Watling Street, it will offer somewhere in the region of 6,500 new flats and houses of varying style and design.

Opposite this new mini Milton Keynes is Fullers Slade, one of the original estates to be built back in the early 70s.

Constructed at a time of a massive brick shortage, 'The Slade', as it has become known, was built using non-traditional methods from wood and steel. This was at about the same time as Netherfield, Coffee Hall and Greenleys were all being built, also lacking in bricks and often lacking in pitched roofs, which had to be remedied at a later stage and at great cost.

If you've not visited The Slade recently, I could recommend a late night stroll from the local shops at Shearmans, through Woolmans, up to Weavers Hill and then make your way across the park to Galley Hill – but I won't.

Fast forward to 2014 and, while building methods may have changed, the requirement to cram in as many dwellings as possible will, undoubtedly, be overwhelming to the developers. This, of course, will lead to the construction of tightly packed houses with no gardens or parking.

And with the sadly long abandoned and unique Milton Keynes principle of no housing taller than a tree, blocks of unsightly flats will dominate the landscape.

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Golfer killed by lightning strike

BY SCOTT KIRK
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A FATHER died after being struck by a lightning 'bolt from the blue' during a charity golf day, an inquest heard.

Dara Clarke, chief executive officer of Linford Wood-based finance technology firm White Clarke Group, was hit by lightning at Sandy Lodge Golf Club in Northwood, Middlesex, on May 22 this year.

Milton Keynes Coroner's Court was told he was helping to raise money for the Epilepsy Society when disaster struck on the 12th hole as he and his sons James and Shane were hit by lightning.

Dara, 66, never regained consciousness after the strike and he died at St Andrews Centre Regional Burns Unit in Chelmsford, Essex, on May 25.

James, who was at the inquest along with his brother, said: "He was a very enthusiastic golfer.

"I thought that the cloud had moved off but it's the proverbial bolt from the blue.

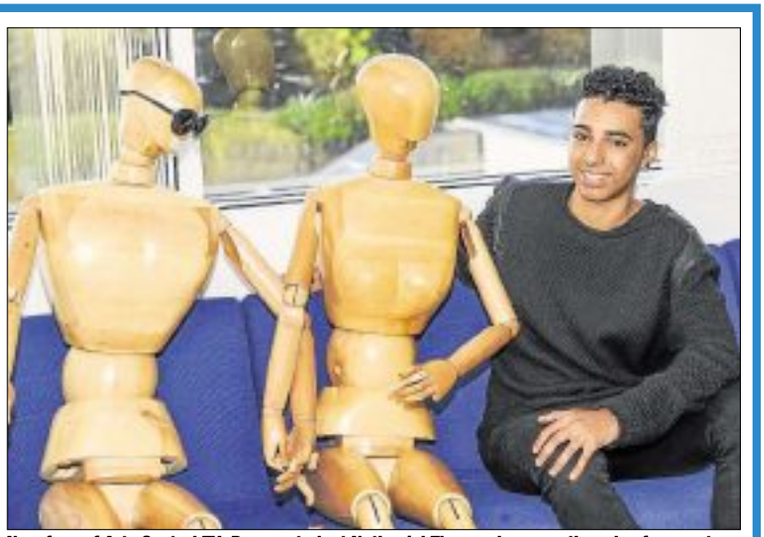
"It was very shocking at the time but we know he didn't feel anything when he died."

Milton Keynes senior coroner Tom Osborne concluded that the incident was an accident.

Clive Bailey, club manager at Sandy Lodge Golf Club, said a lightning detector had been installed in the aftermath of Mr Clarke's death.

A spokesman for the Epilepsy Society said: "Dara had been supportive of our fundraising golf days and the White Clarke Group has been generous sponsors for a number of years."

The cause of death was given as multiple organ failure, prolonged cardiac arrest and being struck by lightning.



New face of Arts Central TV: Drama student Nathaniel Thomas has won the role of presenter

New TV channel presenter

AFTER stiff competition Nathaniel Thomas has been chosen by residents as the TV presenter for a new community arts channel.

The 18-year-old is a performing arts student at MK College and his audition focused on how he lives and breathes art and wants to get more young people involved.

The competition was organised by MK NEWS and Arts Central and Nathaniel will now be the face of Arts Central TV covering all arts activities across the city.

Nathaniel, from Tattenhoe, said: "At first I was in disbelief, but this could be the start of my career."

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Assault at Xscape

TWO men, aged 19 and 21, were arrested on suspicion of affray and assault at Xscape on Friday, September 26. The incident happened between 4.05am and 4.15am.

Knifepoint robbery

A MAN was threatened with a knife in a robbery in Byrony Place, Conniburrow, at 11.30pm on Friday, October 3. More at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

Electric bus victory

MILTON Keynes Council's Electric Bus Project won the Excellence in Technology section at Thursday's National Transport Awards.

Make your festive selection

FOLLOWING the success of last year's Christmas selection box appeal, MK NEWS is asking readers to vote for the good cause they would like to receive the chocolate treats in 2014.

More than 300 boxes were collected from residents and businesses last year and handed out to vulnerable families across the city when we teamed up with the Milton Keynes Food Bank for our first appeal.

Make your nomination at www.mkweb.co.uk/news

Hospital upgrade work begins

IMPROVEMENT works worth £2.9million have begun to upgrade Milton Keynes Hospital's A&E department.

The investment was announced back in July by the Government.

Five new bays have already been completed, with a further six currently being constructed in phase two of the upgrade.

MPs Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart visited A&E this week to see the progress.

Mr Lancaster said: "After lobbying for this money, it's great to see the changes."

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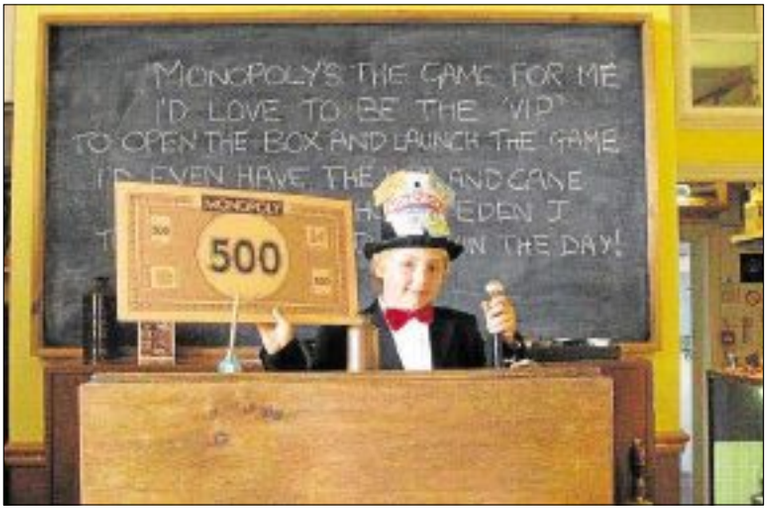

The chosen one: Eden Jefferson, eight, will help launch the first Milton Keynes Monopoly game

Eden to roll the dice first

AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD schoolboy will open the very first Milton Keynes Monopoly board.

Eden Jefferson won a city-wide competition to find a VIP (Very Important Player) to star at the official launch of the game on October 24 – the same day it hits our shelves.

Eden came out on top after his poem explaining why he should open the game caught the attention of judges.

Eden said: "I feel honoured – I can't wait to see the board."

Dan Taylor, Monopoly's development director at Winning Moves UK – makers of the board under license from Hasbro – added: "Eden will be a VIP in every sense of the word and we are delighted he has agreed to be a huge part of the launch.

"His entry was world class – as good as we have ever seen."

The game will be at stores like John Lewis and WH Smith.

'Leaking homes' lead to lawsuit

BY JAMES AVERILL
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A HOUSING developer is suing architechts over problems at the Oxley Woods estate.

Taylor Wimpey is said to be seeking £5million in damages from Rogers Stirk Harbour & Partners (RSHP) over leaks at the homes, which are said to be rotting the infrastructure. According to the Architect's Journal, the High Court claim alleges breach of contract and negligence.

MK NEWS reported in May how water was leaking into the properties, which have been dubbed 'Legoland' and were built in 2007 as part of a Government competition to build family homes cheaper.

Speaking about the lawsuit, a Taylor Wimpey spokesman said: "It is our view that the issues have been caused by various design features and the poor performance of contractors in the design and construction process.

"Due to the fact legal proceedings are ongoing it would not be appropriate for us to comment further."

RSHP confirmed to MK NEWS it would 'defend the claims vigorously'.

Meanwhile, planning inspector Michael Boniface has upheld a decision to reject a second development of 26 homes at the site – as the more traditional designs may have 'harmed the character' of the unique estate.

The Taylor Wimpey spokesman added they were 'disappointed by the decision'.

Oxley Woods resident and designer, Chris Littlecott, said the decision was a 'win for localism and good design'.

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Pageant for over 50s
LADIES over 50 can enter a new beauty pageant. The event at Emerson Valley Clubhouse on November 28 is supporting Macmillan. More at **mkweb.co.uk**.

Post Office revamp
OLNEY Post Office is being refurbished to provide more services and 59 extra opening hours. The branch will shut from October 27 for 10 days.

Residents in debt
More than 800 residents sought debt advice in the first six months of 2014, according to StepChange Debt Charity. More at **mkweb.co.uk**

Man stabbed for loose change

A MAN was stabbed during a robbery in Fishermead – all for the sake of some loose change.

The 27-year-old was walking along Fishermead Boulevard and down an alleyway leading towards Porthleven Place on September 26 at about 6.20pm.

He noticed he was being followed by a man, who then threatened him with a knife and demanded money.

He then assaulted the victim with the knife and stole the change, leaving the man requiring hospital treatment.

Anyone with information should call police on 101.

Did you see bicycle theft?

A CCTV image has been released of a woman police would like to speak to in connection with a bike theft in Olney.

At around 5pm on September 21 a bike was stolen from outside off licence One Stop in the High Street. The mountain bike is a grey Norco Storm.

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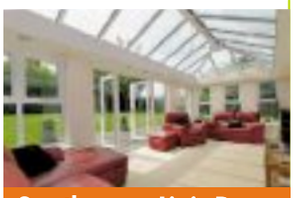
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Housing plan is no 'bombshell'

BY SCOTT KIRK
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MORE than 1,000 homes could be built if plans put forward by Milton Keynes Council are approved.

In its Site Allocations Plan, the authority has set aside areas of land developers could build on.

It could see between 225 and 250 homes built in Olney, 450 in Newport Pagnell and 429 in Woburn Sands.

Nick Luke, who wants to see the amount for Woburn Sands reduced, said: "This is a mega bombshell for the area."

But in a poll on our website – **www.mkweb.co.uk** – more people voted in favour of the plans, with one reader saying: "We need affordable housing in Olney for first-time buyers."

Residents are being urged to email their views on the plan to siteallocations@milton-keynes.gov.uk by November 5.

A council spokesman said: "After this round of consultation, we will narrow down the number of sites."

Bombshell: Nick Luke isn't happy with the Site Allocations Plan

Your comments on homes plan

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"At the moment young people cannot afford to remain in the area they grew up and often work in."

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Pensioners 'left world together'

BY JAMES AVERILL
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THE daughter and son-in-law of an elderly wheelchair bound husband and wife have said their parents died 'the way they would have wanted it – together'.

Edward and Mary McLaren were discovered at their home in Hills Close, Great Linford, on May 9 this year.

Both were confined to wheelchairs, although Mary acted as her husband's primary carer and the pair were visited by a district nurse every month.

An inquest that was completed on Thursday at Milton Keynes Coroner's Court ruled that the pair both died of natural causes, although a medical cause of death could not be ascertained due to decomposition of their bodies as they lay undiscovered for up to nine days.

The couple's daughter, Anneliese Aitchison, said: "They were very stubborn and very independent.

"They wanted to look after themselves and they were very close, they didn't want any help. They would have liked to have left the world together and got it."

Tribute: Daughter Anneliese Aitchison with her husband Keith

The pair refused every offer of help from Milton Keynes Council for further support, but coroner Tom Osborne indicated he would still write to the authority asking why a 'thorough investigation' had not reviewed how services were offered.

A council spokesman said they 'fully took on board' the concerns raised by Mr Osborne at the inquest.

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Cannabis group slam new study

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A PRO-CANNABIS group has hit out at a World Health Organisation (WHO) report that says smoking the plant has negative long-term effects.

Yesterday the findings of a 20 year study were released by Professor Wayne Hall, a drugs advisor for WHO, which claim cannabis is highly addictive and causes mental health problems.

But one of the creators of Milton Keynes Cannabis Social Club (MKCSC), which has a community Facebook page with nearly 1,000 members, argued: "Firstly, the idea that cannabis is a 'gateway drug' is flawed.

"Most people I know tried tobacco or alcohol before cannabis, so are they not the 'gateway drugs' if such a theory is even true?

"Also, even this 'damning' report states the chance of a fatal overdose is 'very small' and cannabis was 'not as harmful as other illicit drugs."

On MKCSC, which has 988 Likes on Facebook, people discuss why the Class B drug should be legalised. Users on the page strongly feel the drug has medical benefits for illnesses including cancer, tuberculosis and multiple sclerosis.

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Standards improve at Campbell Centre

BY JAMES AVERILL

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A FAILING mental health centre has rapidly improved its services to patients – according to the latest inspection.

The Campbell Centre, an inpatient unit in Eaglestone, is now meeting expectations in eight out of nine key standards.

It is a vast improvement at the facility that was failing to meet any of the standards at all when a previous report from the Care Quality Commission (CQC) was published in March.

It has now reached an appropriate standard in the care and welfare of its patients, safeguarding patients from abuse and the safety and suitability of the premises. Action is still needed however on its record keeping, with the report logging a concern that 'accurate and appropriate records were not always maintained'.

The CQC carried out its latest unannounced inspection on August 4 and concluded it had found 'significant improvements'.

Claire Murdoch is chief executive of Central and North West London NHS Foundation, which is the centre's service provider.

She said: "I know our staff worked really hard and actually wanted the CQC to come sooner.

"Since we took over in April 2013 we've wanted it to be a great success.

"The CQC judgement is right and accurately measures progress but still points to further improvements needed; with this encouragement I am confident we will. I repeat my apologies to the local population over the failings of the past and I hope this shows them we listen, act and improve."

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Pete excited for IMAX's opening

BY JAMES AVERILL
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PETE Winkelman believes the new IMAX cinema will be 'the best in the country' when it opens at MK1.

The £25million leisure complex, next to stadiummk, is rapidly approaching completion and the Dons chairman is particularly excited about the cinema, which is understood to have 15 screens.

Pete told MK NEWS: "I think at the point it opens it will be the best cinema in the country.

"I'm very excited as the stadium site is slowly getting finished and we have not got much left to do.

"We are looking at the cinema opening in February."

It would not be the first time Milton Keynes has led the way when it comes to cinemas, as the city was home to the country's first multiplex at The Point in Midsummer Boulevard in 1985.

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Opening soon: Pete Winkelman is happy with progress at MK1

MK1 is being funded by The Crown Estate and InterMK, which is Mr Winkelman's development company.

The site will be completed with seven restaurants, including T.G.I. Friday's, Frankie and Benny's, Bella Italia, Nando's, Chimichanga and Prezzo.

Bella Italia has already begun recruiting for 43 jobs.

Pete added: "We expect the restaurants to be opening in November.

"The success of MK1 I know has surprised people, not least myself, and when you add the cinema and restaurants it makes the site about more than match day.

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Where else can I see the documents?

You can also look at the Topic Papers and the Site Allocations Plan in the Civic Offices and all Milton Keynes Libraries. Follow Milton Keynes Council on Twitter (@MKCouncil) to keep up-to-date with consultation events we are organising.

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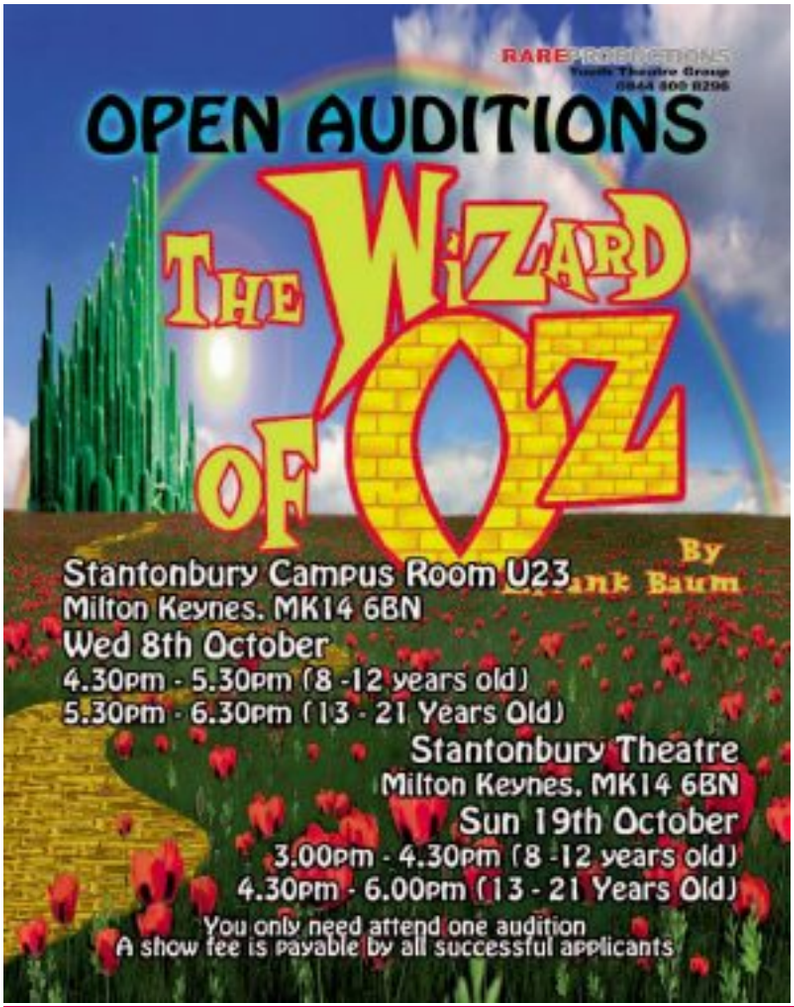

Sign charter to help

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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IMAGINE if you lost the ability to walk, use your arms, or even talk – this is something people diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease (MND) have to face.

The MND Association is trying to spread awareness as 28 city sufferers, and thousands of others in the UK, are having to deal with the life-threatening disease without the right care and support.

Brian Wilson, from Olney, has been campaigning for better awareness after he lost his wife of 56 years, Betty, to MND.

Brian said: "Betty survived for 14 years after being diagnosed at age 65.

"She was amazing, never complained once and always had a smile for everyone.

"It was really hard in the end but she inspired so many people and even before she passed away people donated £25,000, which is now at £37,000, for MND Association's Milton Keynes branch.

"Sufferers need better access to special equipment like communication devices and wheelchairs and support should be available through the health service.

"Twenty-eight people [in MK] have MND, which is surprising for one city so we need to raise awareness."

Before signing charter: MP Mark Lancaster chats to sufferers

MND is a progressive disease that attacks the motor neurones, or nerves, in the brain and spinal cord. This means messages gradually stop reaching muscles, which leads to weakness and them wasting away.

Usually a person will remain mentally alert as they become trapped within a failing body, although a small proportion do also experience dementia or cognitive change. There is no cure and half of people with the disease die within 14 months of diagnosis.

MND can affect a person of any age with the youngest sufferer in Milton Keynes in her 20s.

On Thursday MPs Iain Stewart and Mark Lancaster met Brian and some of the city sufferers to find out more about the MND Association.

They were persuaded to sign a charter, which already has 200,00 signatures, intended to bring change for MND sufferers and their families.

The charter outlines the rights of people with MND, such as the right to an early diagnosis and information and access to quality care and treatments.

At the event in Peartree

residents with MND

See Brian doing the ice bucket challenge
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In memory: Brian and his late wife Betty

Bridge, Brian tried to persuade the MPs to do the ice bucket challenge, which has gone viral since it began in America this summer.

But as they had both already done it, the MPs helped the 85-year-old do one of his own.

So far this year the MND Association has received £7million from ice bucket challenges in the UK.

Brian hopes more will sign the charter to encourage change and help improve the quality of life for MND sufferers and their families.

To sign the petition, or find out how to donate to the MND Association, visit www.mkweb.co.uk

Ice cold: MPs poor water on campaigner Brian

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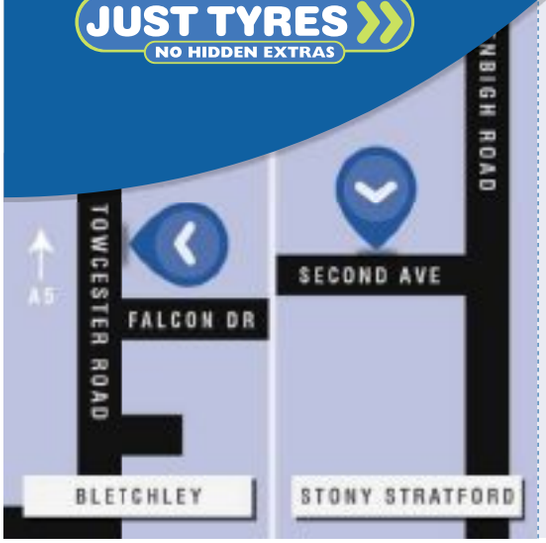

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Witch is spellbound by Tasmanian devil

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A WITCH has spoken about her business and campaign to help devils.

Agata Pietrek, from Downs Barn, converted to Paganism after she was brought up as a Catholic in Poland.

The 34-year-old chose to be a white witch and follow Pagan beliefs to be more in touch with nature and spiritual traditions.

"It's just a way of life that speaks to me," said Agata. "There is quite a large pagan community and I know quite a few witches in Milton Keynes and we don't have black cats."

Through her online business, Witchy Hook, Agata sells crocheted witch accessories such as charm dolls, voodoo dolls and mug cosies.

She added: "They are not typical voodoo dolls. I make them as key rings and they are really popular.

"I started crocheting when I was a little girl and learnt from my grandma."

The mum-of-two is also trying to raise money to help Tasmanian devils in an Australian sanctuary.

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>
> **Agata Pietrak**

Agata has set up a Yimby crowdfunding campaign to support the carnivorous marsupial after she heard they had been an endangered species since 2008.

The funds raised will be sent to the Devils@Cradle Tasmanian Devil Sanctuary.

"The conservation programmes conducted at Devils@Cradle are vital in assisting the long term survival of these unique animals through management, education, breeding, research and monitoring, rehabilitation and release programmes," said Agata,

"I have 30 days to raise £200, so every £25 raised will go toward supporting a Tasmanian devil at the sanctuary for a year."

To donate to the project, or find out more, visit **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

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Don't delay, try stopping decay

BY SCOTT KIRK
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AT LEAST one in 10 city children under the age of three have tooth decay, according to a local dentist.

Nationally, Public Health England (PHE) researchers checked the teeth of 54,000 youngsters at nurseries, playgroups and children's centres across the country and found that 12 per cent of children had tooth decay.

Dr Teresa Day, clinical director and founder of Appledore Dental Clinic in Midsummer Boulevard, reckons the figures are true for toddlers in Milton Keynes as well.

"We get a lot of children with decay," said Dr Day, who has more than 30 years experience in the field.

"We're a private dentist and in some pockets of the city it will be a lot worse than what we see."

The research, revealed last Tuesday, came from PHE's Oral Health Survey of Three-Year-Old Children 2013.

It showed that on average, those with problems had three teeth decayed, missing or filled.

Dr Day added that parents should start brushing their children's teeth as soon as the first tooth appears.

For teeth dos and donts
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Pride of MK back on street

MKCCM's street warden: Rob Harriman is back in a new role

AN AWARD-WINNING warden has returned to the streets in his new role with Milton Keynes City Centre Management (MKCCM).

As MK NEWS reported in 2012, Rob Harriman, from Bradville, was shortlisted for ITV's Pride of Britain 2013 Awards, where Prime Minister David Cameron praised his hard work. In his previous job as a street warden for Milton Keynes Council he won seven Pride in MK awards. Rob is now MKCCM's street warden.

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New education centre pops up

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Hospital is making cancer care better

BY SCOTT KIRK
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RELATIVES of cancer patients have spoken of their negative experience at Milton Keynes Hospital.

It comes after research by the Department of Health (DoH), which was analysed by Macmillan Cancer Support, showed patients in MK were among the least satisfied in England with their treatment. The only place with worse feedback was London.

Commenting on our Facebook page, Sheila Young said: "It's not very good. My mother was not looked after properly after her diagnosis."

Rachel Simpson added: "My dad had an awful time of it."

The DoH's National Cancer Patient Experience Survey asked for feedback from people who had been treated in hospital between September 1 and November 30 last year.

But Joe Harrison, the hospital's chief executive, said a second cancer ward, a unit dedicated to the disease and patient diaries have been launched since the research was carried out.

He added: "We are very sorry to hear that some of our patients have not had a good experience and this survey doesn't reflect the high number of compliments that we see for our services here."

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MILTON KEYNES THEATRE PANTO

George is shaping up for panto launch

BY JUDY RILEY
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'ALL children, except one, grow up'. If there's one thing we all know about Peter Pan, it's that he never has to worry about teenage acne, university fees or middle-age spread.

So is George Ure the perfect casting for the role of Peter Pan?

Shake a little sprinkling of fairy dust over a seriously taxing fitness regime and it's all looking pretty good.

Not least because, "At drama school," says George, "everyone called me Peter Pan, the 'boy who never grew up' because I had big spiky hair and I used to wear funny little shorts. So yes, I was born to play the part. It's a dream of a role, especially for me."

George may look like a cheeky kid but he has been out of drama school for a few years now and it's not the first panto he's been in. "It's the second. The last one I did was in Scotland a few years ago. And I've never seen a panto in England so it will be interesting to see if it's different."

George doesn't know yet whether he'll get the chance to sing in the show but one thing's for sure, if you've landed the part of Peter, you will have to fly with it.

"The flying is the greatest challenge for me," he says. "I've definitely got to get myself in shape for that. But that's also the exciting part. It doesn't feel much like going to work when you get to fly around and play with swords."

So when are you actually going to grow up George?

"I hope, never. Never, never, never!"

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Flying high: George Ure is getting ready for take-off as Peter Pan

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MILTON KEYNES THEATRE PANTO

Your chance to find Neverland

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THIS Christmas, Milton Keynes Theatre will be flying off to Neverland with its swashbuckling family pantomime Peter Pan.

In partnership with Center Parcs Woburn Forest and MK NEWS, the theatre is offering two families the chance to find their very own Neverland in an exclusive competition.

Peter Pan, starring Bradley Walsh, Flawless and David Bedella, will take to the stage from Friday, December 5 until Sunday, January 11, 2015.

The competition to #FindYourNeverland is the chance for anyone who books tickets to the panto before Wednesday, November 12, 2014 to be entered into a free prize draw to win one of two £2,500 short family breaks at Woburn Forest.

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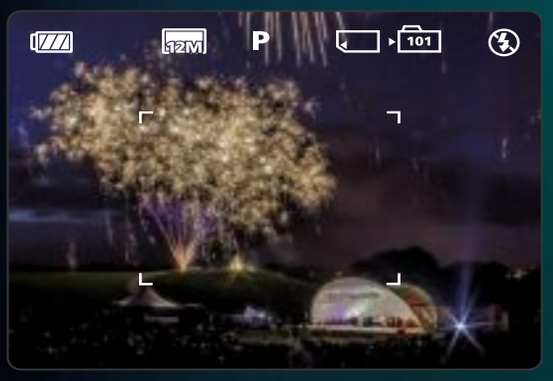

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Famous designers transform museum

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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THE £7.3million expansion of MK Museum has attracted famous names, including the interior designers of The Olympic Museum, to build two major galleries.

As MK NEWS previously reported, the plans were announced in March after funding was granted from Milton Keynes Council, the Heritage Lottery Fund and Arts Council England.

The two new galleries will tell the area's story right through to the present day and Mather & Co – the designers of The Olympic Museum, the National Football Museum and Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum – have been chosen to bring it to life.

Project leader Chris Mather said: "We can't wait to start exploring the rich stories and collections held by the museum and challenge people about what they think they know about Milton Keynes.

"We will be bringing some of the very latest technologies and techniques to this project, so that we can immerse visitors in the full history of this area for the very first time."

As revealed by this newspaper, the gallery will include special exhibition areas for some of the region's most successful and innovative businesses, among them Marshall Amplification and Red Bull.

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Man takes fight to new heights

Before the 10,000 feet jump: David Adams preparing himself for the jump of his life

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A MAN terrified of heights is facing his fears for a friend who died from tongue cancer aged just 23.

David Adams, a key account manager from Furzton, will skydive from 10,000 feet on Sunday, October 19 at Brackley airfield to raise awareness and funds for UK charity – the Mouth Cancer Foundation.

The 31-year-old is petrified of heights, but has decided to take on this challenge in memory of his friend, Clare Jones, who died of tongue cancer in April 2007.

Clare was a student at Loughborough University, along with David, when she was first diagnosed in February 2003.

She underwent a tongue operation but by 2007 she had secondary bone cancer.

David said: "It was a difficult time for her and she was very, very scared. She worried about the effects of chemo and fertility but finished her chemotherapy and was looking forward to a better 2008."

Unfortunately, MRI scans showed no change in the size of the cancer, which eventually spread to her brain.

"The Mouth Cancer Foundation is a charity very close to mine and my wife's heart," added David. "Before Clare was diagnosed with mouth cancer, we knew little about the disease.

"Now, we are on a mission to raise as much awareness about this lesser known cancer as we can."

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I recently watched a Youtube video of an investor who put all of his savings into buying Blockbusters shares in November 2013. He was convinced that since Blockbuster was a large company, it could never go bust and that he was virtually guaranteed to double his money. He was going to spend his profit on buying a new car. In his mind he had already bought it. The company went bust! Forgive the pun.

In recent years we've had a number of large company failures such as JJB Sports, Woolworths, Blockbusters, HMV (well nearly) and recently Phones4U. The reason why private investors lose all of their savings is always the same. They invest 100% of their spare cash into one company. Really this approach is akin to gambling.

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Tony Byrne
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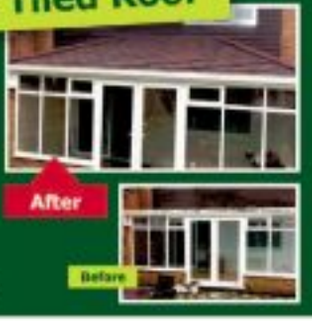

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Smoking sessions: Nisha Mal has a hypnotherapy session with Tamsin Cooper in a bid to give up smoking for October.
You can win a session with Tamsin for free by entering the competition in our leisure section

Close to no ciggies

BY NISHA MAL
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CITY smokers are attempting to stub out their bad habit – and I'm joining them with the help of hypnosis.

The guilt of being a smoker has haunted me for five years.

Quitting cigarettes is something I have been meaning to get around to for ages but I have never been able to completely kick the nicotine.

This time round I'm taking part in Stoptober and I am aiming to rid myself of the habit for 28 days.

The campaign, now in its third year, claims if you can stop smoking for this amount of time you are five times more likely to quit for good.

Although some believe abstinence is the best way to fight a habit I knew I needed an aide and, as I'm not one to choose a conventional route, I decided on hypnotherapy.

Tamsin Cooper, an MKFM presenter who also runs a hypnotherapy practice, believes she can cure smokers in just one session.

The practice involves being put into a trance, it is classed as a state of consciousness, which enables a person's habits or attitudes to be altered.

The main exercise involved Tamsin focusing my mind on what I dislike about smoking. For me this was easy as I have always hated the lingering smell afterwards.

It made me associate smoking with an overbearing stench and altered the way my mind sees it.

I felt like I had accomplished something extraordinary and I still think of the awful smell every time I want a cigarette.

You can follow my Stoptober progress online at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

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New outdoor show will make a splash

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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A NEW outdoor adventure is coming to Willen Lake.

The Big Outdoor Show 2015 will feature a huge array of adventure activities including paragliding, jet skiing and mountain biking, and visitors can enjoy a weekend of camping too.

As well as professional demonstrations from sporting greats there will also be more than 100 exhibitors selling the latest equipment and clothing. The event, set to take place on the bank holiday weekend of May 23-25 next year, has been organised by Freesports Events Ltd, based in Linford Wood.

Managing director Pauline Gibson said: "From camper vans, tents, mountain bikes and paragliding there will be a point of interest for all attending. Attractions include European competitions in paramotoring and mountain bike north shore, water displays and sailing demonstrations, utilising the incredible and unique facilities of Willen Lake."

The Big Outdoor Show 2015: Experts will wow crowds at lake

The event aims to be educational too with talks and presentations from industry experts. Tickets, which will go on sale in the next four weeks, cost £9.50 for adults and £3.50 for children, while under eights go free. Weekend camping tickets are £49.50 and include evening entertainment and full show access.

Miss Gibson added: "We are all about building a great annual event for the city."

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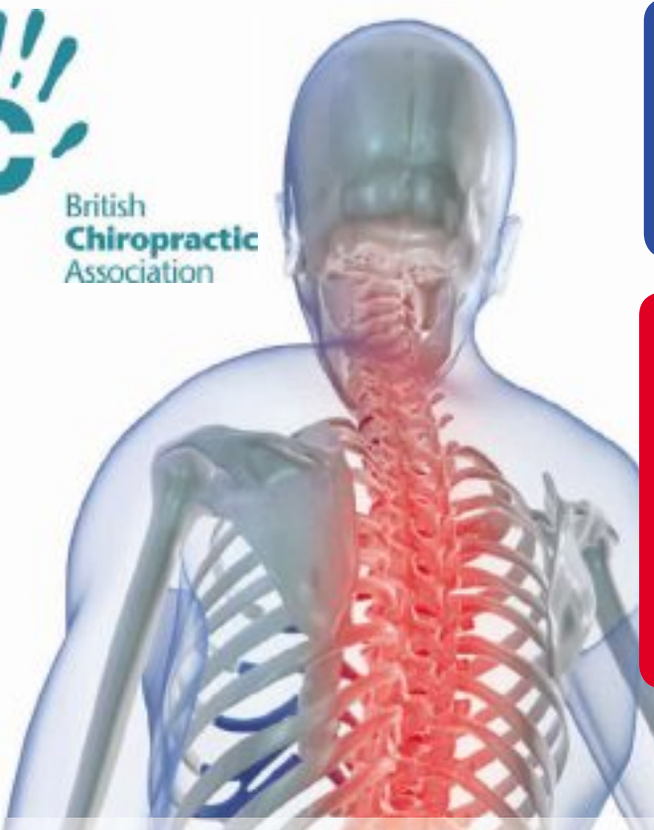

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Organ Festival brings fairgrounds back to life at museum

FROM the magical chimes of music boxes to the evocative sounds of fairground organs, Milton Keynes Museum will be alive to the sound of music this weekend.

Its annual Organ Festival, taking place on Saturday and Sunday, is a chance for older visitors to relive the soundtrack of their youth and for youngsters to fall in love for the first time with mechanical music.

Exhibitors will be coming from far afield, bringing with them everything from small hand organs to spectacular fairground showpieces.

All have been lovingly restored to perform as their creators intended.

Along with these special displays the museum has many of its own musical exhibits, which visitors will be invited to try out for themselves.

All this is at no extra cost on top of usual admission prices, which allows you to visit more than 10 exhibitions including telephones, transport and an Edwardian kitchen.

Refreshments will be available to buy at the museum cafe.

The Wolverton attraction is open both days from 11am to 4.30pm.

Tickets cost £7.50 for adults, £6 for concessions and £22 for a family of two adults and up to four children.

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wartalk

WHEN you toddle off to work of a morning, it's unlikely that you'll be wearing a flak jacket.

But when you toddle off to work of a morning, it's unlikely that you'll find yourself in the firing line of a terrorist sniper.

War correspondents aren't forced to do the job they do. But if they didn't, we might never know the truth of what's happening on the frontline of conflicts all over the world.

This 70 minute show from Helen Chadwick Song Theatre is based on testimony from the journalists, men and women who have families back at home but who still risk their lives getting on with the job of bringing us the news. Why do they do it?

"Sometimes," one of the correspondents interviewed says, "to keep silent is to lie."

War Correspondents is at The Stables on October 22 at 8pm. Visit stables.org.uk or call 01908 280800 for details.

MILTON Keynes has more than 20million trees. That means it can look absolutely stunning during autumn. The Parks Trust's ROB RIEKIE gives some tips on where to enjoy the autumn foliage

SOMETIMES dubbed the city of trees, Milton Keynes has some amazing autumn colour displays.

So where is best to appreciate the majestic beauty of our autumnal foliage?

Campbell Park with its beautiful formal gardens and its woodland area is a terrific place to enjoy autumn colour.

Willen Lake and the Poplar Plantation to its south also provide stunning displays.

The three ancient woodlands at Shenley Wood, Howe Park Wood and Linford Wood also provide tranquil settings for an autumn stroll. And don't forget the landscape along the grid roads which is so full of rich colour at this time of year.

The bronze, crimson, orange and yellow shades which light up the city's open spaces are the result of chemical reactions that occur as the leaves die during autumn.

In place of chlorophyll pigment, which makes leaves look green, we see the effects of carotenoid, anthoxanthins and anthocyanin.

Find out more in the full article which you can read on our website – mkweb.co.uk

concretepint

THE highlight of the ale drinking calender is mooving its way to The Buszy.

At the 21st Concrete Pint 2014 Beer and Cider Festival residents can try 90 ales and more than 20 ciders. Many of the drinks are from nearby producers and as part of this year's southern theme, there will also be tastes from Kent, Somerset, Cornwall and Devon. The festival, operated by the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA), opens next Wednesday from 5pm and continues throughout the week until the beer runs out. Read more at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

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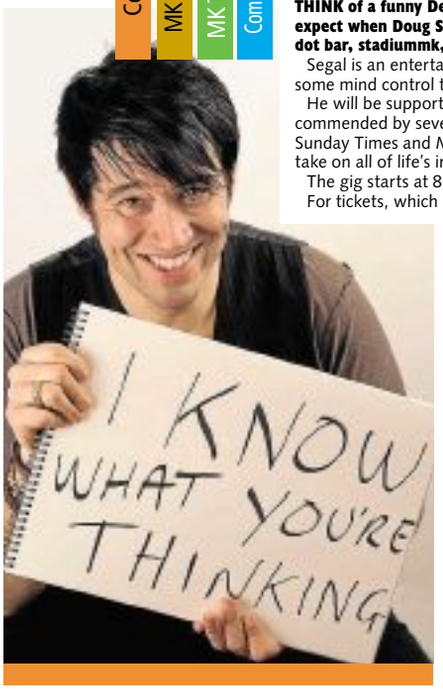


THINK of a funny Derren Brown and that is what you can expect when Doug Segal comes to the Comedy Cow at the red dot bar, stadiummk, on October 17.

Segal is an entertainer, comedian and mind reader with some mind control thrown in for good measure.

He will be supported by Ray Peacock, who has been commended by several national newspapers, including the Sunday Times and Metro, and Dane Baptiste, who has a great take on all of life's irritations.

The gig starts at 8.15pm and is for those aged 18 or over. For tickets, which cost £10, go to www.ticketsource.co.uk

artprize

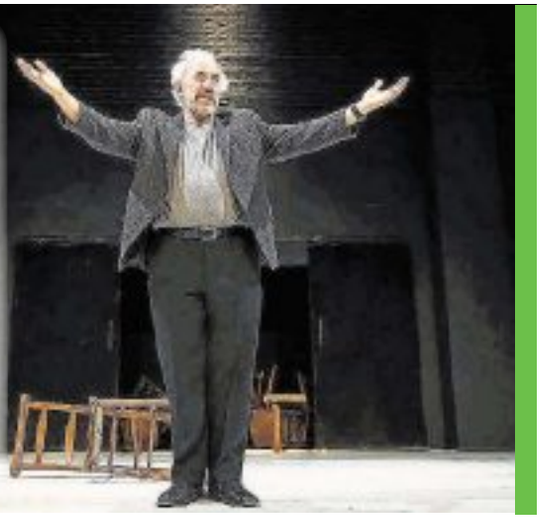
WHAT do points mean? Points mean prizes, of course.

And the more points the winner of the 2014 New City Art Prize for the Visual Arts picks up from the judges, the better the chance of winning the £10,000 prize.

MK Gallery and MK Community Foundation have announced the names of the four short-listed artists. They are Beatrice Gibson, Siobhan Hapaska, Jimmy Merris and Roger Palmer. The winner will be announced on December 4.

Read more at mkweb.co.uk

gospeltruth



YOU may know a man by the company he keeps.

And a Messiah too. In The Man Jesus, you get a pretty good idea of his character through eye-witness accounts of those who knew him best.

In a magnificent tour de force Simon Callow plays them all; all except Jesus that is. But somehow, bringing the gospels alive through gossip, chat and a few laughs does the job just as well. See it at MK Theatre on October 13.

Book at atgtickets.com/miltonkeynes

stopsmoking

IT'S that time of year when Stoptober has arrived.

Many of you will be having good intentions to stop smoking for the month, but how about making it permanent?

MK LIFE and clinical hypnotherapist Tamsin Cooper, **pictured below**, have teamed up to give three readers the opportunity to stop for good.

Tamsin owns a hypnotherapy practice in Flitwick and specialises in helping people give up those pesky cigarettes.

And she can help you cut them out in just one session.

Tamsin is also a radio presenter on MKFM and joined it a few months ago after hypnotising one of its presenters to stop smoking.

You can hear her show on Sunday from 8-10pm, where this month she will also be talking about Stoptober.

So if you're ready to take the plunge and to start a new healthy chapter in your life, then all you have to do is answer the following question:

Which month of the year does Stoptober take place in?

A) January
B) April
C) August
D) October

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No booking is required. Meet at Westcroft District Centre, H7 Chaffron Way.

draculauntold

ASPIRING star Luke Evans, notable as Bard in The Hobbit, takes on his first lead role as Vlad Tepes in Dracula Untold.

Vlad III Tepes is threatened by the arrival of Sultan Mehmed II, who demands 1,000 boys for his army, including Vlad's son Ingeras. To save his son and his kingdom, Vlad journeys to find an ancient sorcerer and enters into a dark bargain that gives him the power to defeat his enemies.

While the film is mildly entertaining with decent acting from Evans, it does neither the vampire lore and the historic tales of Vlad the Impaler any justice in its attempts to cobble them together.

Clunky writing grinds the film to a halt with Evans' furrowed brow and intensity the only saving graces in a story that had potential to be better than it is.

The fight scenes are impressive and the addition of special effects to turn Vlad into a vortex of bats is a great touch. But considering the violent and bloodied history of the title character where is all the blood? The lack of the red stuff defies the very nature of Dracula and makes the whole affair rather dull.

The fangs, fighting and bloodlust come together well and are even a little entertaining but the film lacks any really quality to do the Dracula story justice.

★★☆☆☆ Rachael West

sensationaladventure

I AM just about as big a fan of the Game of Thrones television series as anyone you could meet, so I thought it was high-time I read the books, writes Scott Kirk.

I'm pleased to say that the first novel is a cracking read and manages that rare feat of book and TV series being very similar.

It's 750 pages long, so be prepared to embark on a sensational adventure from George R. R. Martin, who, in my opinion, is one of the greatest authors for character development. He is as comfortable writing about Arya, a nine-year-old girl, as he is about Ned Stark, a middle-aged lord.

It's very crude at points, but A Game of Thrones is the perfect blend of humour, suspense, action and great dialogue and I can't wait to read the rest of them.

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lasvegas

AT THE end of this month enjoy a show fit for the king himself with a Las Vegas night at Whitlebury Hall.

On October 31 there will be an evening of swing and showgirls at the venue from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £49 per person, including a three-course dinner, half bottle of house wine and disco until 12.30am. Special overnight deals are available, so don't miss out.

To book call 0845 400 1406.

cabaretshow

DIRECT from London's West End, Europe's biggest burlesque show is coming to Milton Keynes Theatre.

An Evening of Burlesque arrives tomorrow from 8pm and will be full of sultry vocals, breathtaking choreography, mischief, magic and fun.

The show is for over-18s only and tickets costs £27.90 (plus a £2.85 transaction fee) so why not dress up and go to the cabaret? Book at www.atgtickets.com/miltonkeynes

spookyshow

A CITY theatre company has adapted the books of the Gormenghast trilogy by Mervyn Peake into an extraordinary, vibrant and visually stunning theatrical production.

The show will have its world premier at The Chrysalis Theatre from tonight until Sunday at 7.30pm.

Find out how to book tickets, costing from £12 to £15, at **www.mkweb.co.uk**.

hallowe'enwitches

THE Big Draw Team invites you to its free Wondrous Witches & Wizards family arts workshop, led by artist Jonny Boatfield.

There will be a dark spooky cave, cloak decorating, broomstick making, dressing up and the chance to create creepy crawlies to dangle from the ceiling and skim faces and hair, which will all be sure to send a shiver of horror down your spine.

The event takes place at York House Centre in Stony Stratford on Saturday from 10am to 4pm – visit if you dare.

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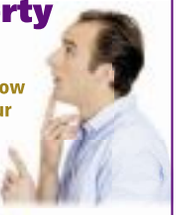

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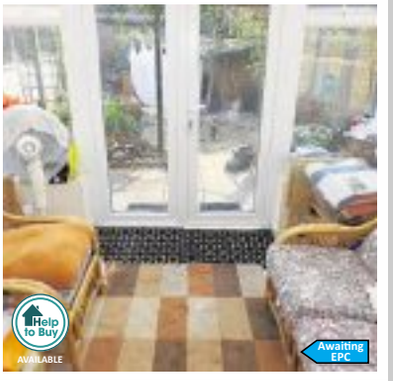

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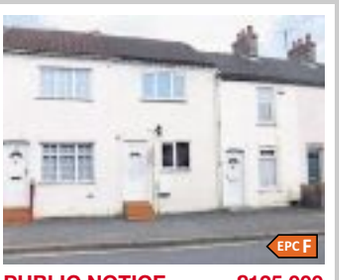

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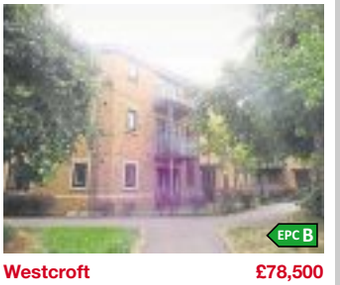

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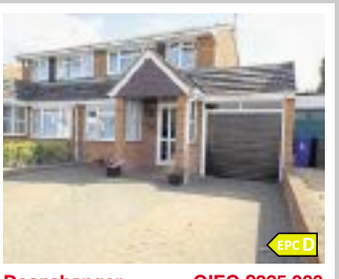

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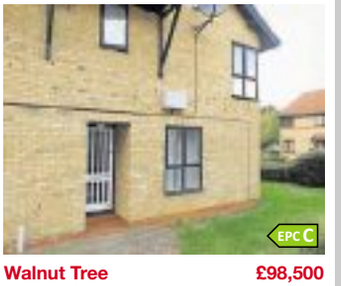

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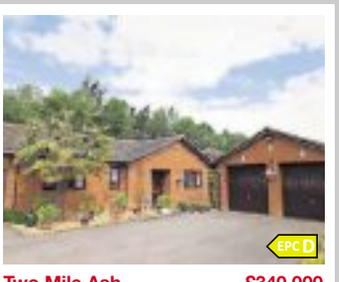

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Milton Keynes **£340,000**

- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
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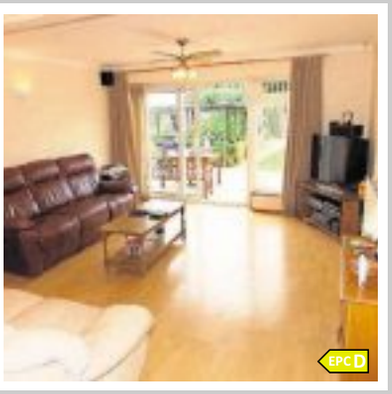
- Cul-de-Sac Location



Hanslope **£315,000**

- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Garden & Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Haversham **£284,950**

- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Off Road Parking

Leaside **£240,000**

- Three Bedroom Property
- Kitchen/Diner
- Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
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New Bradwell **£170,000**

- Three/Four Bedroom Property
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- Popular Location
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Furzton £290,000

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- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Garage
- Popular Location

Bradwell Common £250,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Gardens
- Garage

Stantonbury £249,995

- Four Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
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- Bathroom & Seprate WC

Medbourne £245,000

- Three Bedroom Mews House
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- Detached Home
- Three Bedrooms
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- Gardens & Garage

Oldbrook £215,000

- Four Bedrooms
- Bathroom, WC & En-Suite
- Conservatory
- Garden & Off Road Parking

Coffee Hall £185,000

- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Bathrooms
- Garage, Gardens & Parking

Great Linford £175,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Conservatory
- Gardens & Off Road Parking

Heelands £174,995

- Semi Detached Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Gardens & Off Road Parking

Two Mile Ash £170,000

- Two Bedroom Terraced Home
- Kitchen & Lounge/Diner
- Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking

Monkston £165,000

- Ground Floor Flat
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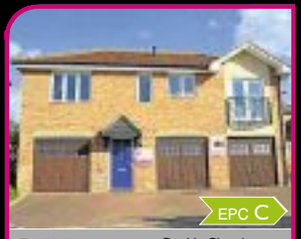
Bradville **£269,950**

This beautiful Grade II listed thatched cottage dating back to the fifteenth century has been lovingly cared for and cherished by the current owner.With many features to include exposed beams and picturesque views this property is a magnificent find with plenty of history and character.

Little Horwood **£600,000**

A spacious and immaculately presented detached townhouse with the added benefit of four double bedrooms and an en-suite to the master. The property has been extended and improved by the current owners and has a larger than average southerly facing rear garden.

Deanshanger **£299,950**



- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Bathroom
- Garage
- Double Glazed
- Radiator Heating
- Popular Area
- A Must See

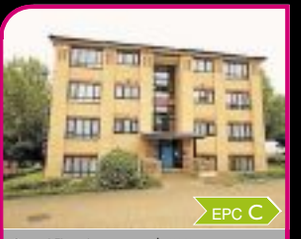
Broughton Offers in Excess **£170,000**

- Town House
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Driveway
- No Above Chain

Stony Stratford Offers in Excess **£180,000**

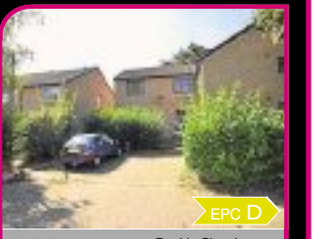
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Kitchen/Diner
- Family Room
- Lounge
- Four Bedrooms
- En-Suite To Master
- Bathroom
- Garage

Oxley Park **£279,950**



- Second Floor Apartment
- Secure Entry
- Parking
- Two Bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- No Above Chain

Campbell Park Offers in Excess **£135,000**



- Studio Apartment
- Lounge/Bedroom Area
- Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Double Glazed
- Rear Garden
- Near To Hospital
- No Above Chain

Eaglestone **£89,950**

- Terraced
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms
- Four Piece Bathroom
- Low Maintenance Rear Garden
- Double Glazed
- No Above Chain

Stantonbury **£179,995**

- Non Overlooked To Front
- Refitted Kitchen/Diner
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Three Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Rear Garden
- Part Converted Garage

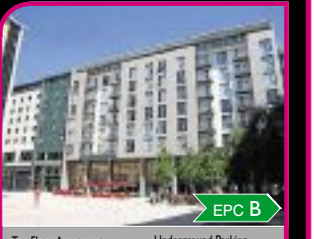
Bletchley **£245,000**

- First Floor Apartment
- One Bedroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Entry Phone System
- Double Glazed
- No Above Chain

Conniburrow **£94,950**

- Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Two Bedrooms
- Good Size Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking
- No Above Chain

Bletchley **£260,000**



- Top Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Open Plan Living
- Balcony
- Underground Parking
- Central Location
- No Upper Chain
- Good Condition Throughout

The HUB Offers in Excess **£210,000**

- Reduced Admin Fee
- Top Floor Apartment
- Lounge
- Kitchen Area
- One Bedroom
- Shower Room
- Allocated Parking
- FEES APPLY

New Bradwell pcm **£650**

- Executive Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Bathroom
- Open Plan Living Area
- Exclusive Garden Area
- Allocated Parking
- FEES APPLY

Campbell Park pcm **£1,150**

- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Brand New Kitchen
- Open Plan Dining Area
- Lounge With Balcony
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Two En-Suites
- Integral Garage
- FEES APPLY

Campbell Park pcm **£1,395**

- Detached Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Cloakroom
- Garage
- Immaculate Presentation
- Available from 14th November
- FEES APPLY

Oxley Park pcm **£1,400**

- Recently Refurbished
- Three Bedroom
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- FEES APPLY

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You will provide impartial information, advice and support to young people and children with special educational needs and disabilities and their parents/carers on SEN education as well as health and social care issues relating to education. Experience of SEND issues and working with young people would be desirable. The ability to liaise effectively with schools, statutory and voluntary organisations will be vital and you will have excellent verbal and written communication skills. You will be prepared to undertake the necessary training in order to carry out the role.

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SUNDON PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Headteacher: **Mrs J Wightman**

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- An accomplished team player
- An excellent classroom practitioner with high expectations and aspirations for our children's achievement and behaviour
- Committed to their own professional development.

We will offer you:

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- Enthusiastic and well behaved children
- A dedicated staff team
- A commitment to your professional development.

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Visits to the school are very warmly welcomed.

Closing date: 17th October 2014 Interview Date: 23rd October 2014

Please telephone Carol Outlaw on 01582 571619 to arrange a visit or visit our school website www.sundonpark.luton.sch.uk for further information and an application pack.

CVs will not be accepted for any posts based in schools. The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Criminal Records Bureaus.

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Closing date: 4pm on Friday 17 October
Interviews: Week commencing Monday 20 October 2014

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Closing date: Friday 17th October 2014, 4:30pm
Interviews: Week commencing 27th October 2014

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Interview date: Friday 24th October 2014

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Headteacher: Bryan Schram BEd MBA

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Closing date for applications for both positions is Friday 17 October

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Headteacher: Glenn Booth

Rickley Park Primary School is a Co-operative Academy with high aspirations, high expectations and consistently high standards. The governors are seeking to employ an:

SEN Nursery Teacher

Salary MPS/UPS plus SEN Allowance (£2,561) (pro rata) - depending on experience

Rickley Park Primary School Nursery benefits from an integrated 7 place, Local Authority funded SEN Provision. The school is looking to employ a qualified teacher to work alongside our mainstream Nursery Teacher, and experienced Teaching Assistants, to take responsibility for the provision and progress of the designated provision children.

The post is for a minimum of 5 mornings (0.62fte) and is initially temporary until 31st August 2015. However, the governors would be prepared to consider a permanent contract and up to full time for the right candidate.

and a

Year 1 Teacher

Salary MPS/UPS - depending on experience

The role is initially temporary until 31st August 2015 to cover a maternity leave. The post is advertised as a full time post but the governors would consider a part-time teacher (minimum of 5 mornings (0.62fte) per week).

For more details, and an information pack, please visit the school website (www.rickleyparkprimary.co.uk) or contact the School Office on (01908) 372979

Closing date 1pm on 17th October 2014

Rickley Park Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.
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The post is for a permanent full time (37 hours per week) contract with a salary range (SCP 33-37) £28,127 - £31,160pa.

Further information, full job descriptions, person specifications and application forms can be obtained from Paul Neate, Head of Council Services, West Bletchley Council, 221 Whaddon Way, Bletchley, MK3 7DZ paul.neate@westbletchleycouncil.gov.uk

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An application pack for the above roles can be downloaded from www.mansheadschool.co.uk or email: office@mansheadschool.co.uk or tel: 01582 679409

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BEMAT is a unique alliance, made up of Gothic Mede Academy, Gravenhurst Academy, Etonbury Academy, Langford Village Academy, Robert Bloomfield Academy and Samuel Whitbread Academy, which is committed to collegiate educational provision across our community. We take collective responsibility for the success of all children through the delivery of a commonly designed curriculum from 2+ to 19. We are committed to the safeguarding and promotion of children's welfare and all job offers are subject to satisfactory DBS. The successful candidate will be expected to work across BEMAT Academies / Schools as required.

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For informal enquiries please contact Viv Walden on 01908 254589.

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Admiral Drive, Hazeley,
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Telephone: 01908 563885
Fax: 01908 555617
Headteacher: Nick Jackman

The Walnuts School is an all age (4 – 19) residential special school and Children's Home that operates on two sites for children and young people with autistic spectrum disorders.

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Closing date: Friday, 17th October 2014.
Interview date: Friday, 24th October 2014.

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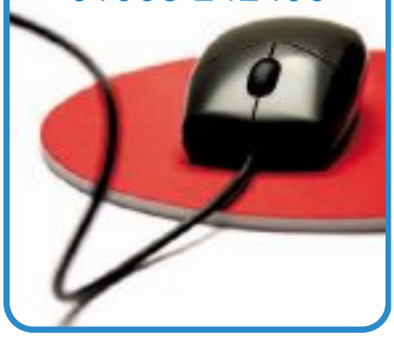

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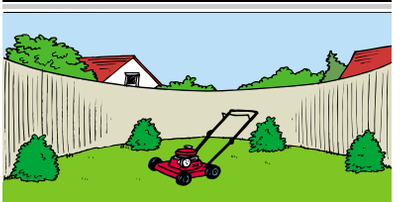

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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
(SALFORD ROAD (PART), BROOKLANDS)
(TEMPORARY 40MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) ORDER 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 7th October 2014 made an Order under Section 14(4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, because works to construct carriageway widening and drainage crossings are to be carried out along part of Salford Road, Brooklands, Milton Keynes. The effect of this is to temporarily prohibit vehicular traffic from proceeding at a speed in excess of 40mph along both sides of the length of road stated below, whilst the works are being carried out:-

That length of Salford Road, Brooklands from its junction with A5130 Newport Road to its junction with the M1 Overbridge (a distance of approximately 1,300 metres).

It is anticipated that the restrictions will be in effect for the whole 24 hours of every day, commencing on Monday 13th October 2014 and ending on 12th October 2015. If the works are completed sooner the original 60 mph speed limit will be re-instated if it is safe to do so. The restrictions will be in force on the dates and at the times shown above and when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order, other than for emergency services vehicles, and military vehicles whilst being driven on operational duties.

The temporary speed restriction will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

The Order will come into effect on Monday 13th October 2014 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the earlier. If the works are not completed within the period stated, a further Order may be made.

Any person committing a breach of the proposed order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The temporary 40mph speed limit can be viewed at www.roadworks.org

08 October 2014
Racheal Kingsley
Head of Highways

Synergy Park
Chesney Wold
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Milton Keynes

PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2013
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 119
THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES (PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY 002 (PART) – PARISH OF TYRINGHAM AND FILGRAVE) PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY DIVERSION ORDER 2013

The above named Order, made on 1st May 2013 was confirmed with modifications by The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 18 September 2014. The effect of the Order is to divert the public bridleway described in Part 1 of the Order Schedule, from the point marked A on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference SP878877 48355) the bridleway travels in a generally north-north easterly direction along the eastern side of a fence line over a hard surfaced driveway for a distance of approximately 38 metres to a gate located at the point marked B on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference SP87884 48391). The bridleway travels through the gate and continues to travel in a generally north-north easterly direction along the eastern side of the fence over a grassed surface for a distance of approximately 52 metres to a timber gate. The bridleway then travels in a generally north-westerly direction to the point marked C on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference SP87901 48440) located in the field beyond. Throughout its length the bridleway has a width of 3.5 metres.

The public bridleway will be diverted to the route described in Part 2 of the Order Schedule, from the point marked A on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference 87877 48355) the bridleway turns to travel in a generally west north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 3.5 metres through a bridlegate and into the field beyond to the point marked D on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference SP87874 49356). The bridleway then travels in a generally north-north easterly direction along the western side of the fence line for a distance of approximately 90 metres to the point marked C on the Order Map (OS Grid Reference SP87901 48440). Throughout its length the bridleway has a width of 3.5 metres.

A copy of the confirmed Order and the Order Map may be seen free of charge at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes MK9 3HG from 9.00am to 5.00pm and at Central Milton Keynes Library during normal opening hours. Copies of the Order and Map may be obtained free of charge.

Dated this 8th day of October 2014.

Sharon Bridglalsingh
Head of Legal Services – Planning, Property and Procurement
Milton Keynes Council Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East,
Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3HG

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL
NOTICE OF AUDIT OPINION
ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2012, REG 12

The audit opinion on the accounts of the Council for the year ending 31st March 2014 was issued by Ernst & Young LLP on Tuesday 30th September 2014.

NOTICE is hereby given that:

1) The audit of accounts for Milton Keynes Council for the year ended 31st March 2014 has been concluded;
2) The Statement of Accounts are available for inspection by any local government elector for Milton Keynes Council at the Business and Corporate Development Team, Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard in Central Milton Keynes from 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.
3) An elector may make copies of the whole or part of the Statement, or, alternatively, may purchase a copy of the Statement for £10 by contacting the Business and Corporate Development Team (01908 252698).
4) The Statement of Accounts is also available to be viewed on the Internet, at http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/your-council-and-elections/council-information-and-accounts/data-performance-and-spending/statement-of-accounts-and-annual-audit-and-inspection-letter

These rights are conferred on local government electors by section 14 of the Audit Commission Act 1998.

Tim Hannam
Corporate Director - Resources
Milton Keynes Council
Saxon Court, 502 Avebury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3HS

Milton Keynes Council

The following applications may be inspected at the Planning, Economy and Development Department, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes. Representations, if any, to be submitted in writing to the above address within 21 days of the publication of this notice.

SECTION 73	**WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
14/01327/FUL	Change of use of building formerly known as Brocks Garage to six bedroom family home. To include internal alterations and removal and replacement of the existing workshop to rear of site with a single storey extension and garden/amenity space for the proposed dwelling, on-plot parking to the rear at Hilary Brock Ltd , 124-126 High Street, Olney
14/01328/FUL	Removal of workshop to rear and creation of 2 x dwellings with associated external works, reinstatement of rear envelope of No.124 once the workshop has been demolished at Hilary Brock Ltd, 124-126 High Street, Olney
14/02003/FUL	Change of use from part shop and residential (use class B1) to residential (use class C3) at 10 Weston Road, Olney
14/02069/FUL	Two storey rear extension at 10 Russell Street, Woburn Sands
14/02102/FUL	Installation of wood burning stove and flue system at 5 Weldon Rise, Loughton
14/02116/TCA	Notification of intention to crown lift to maximum 6m and remove deadwood of 2x Lime and 1x Sycamore trees (T1, T2 and T3) at Calverton Cottage, Lower Weald To Calverton Road, Calverton
14/02134/FUL	Single storey rear extension, bay window to front and new vehicular access at 51A West Street, Olney
SECTION 67 & 73	**AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
14/02139/TCA	Notification of intention to sever roots of 1 x Common Lime tree (T1) and 1 x Wellingtonia tree (T2) at 7 Ousebank Street, Newport Pagnell
SECTION 67	**LISTED BUILDING**
14/01848/ADV	Advertisement consent for internal promotions within 1m of shop-front window including 'digital flanks' and promotional table displays at 70 Midsummer Arcade, Central Milton Keynes
14/02019/LBC	Listed building consent for installation of ATM through glazed panel at 549 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes
14/02050/LBC	Listed building consent to remove small area of travertine flooring at 7-9 Silbury Arcade, Central Milton Keynes

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13
MAJOR

14/02060/OUT	Outline planning permission for the erection of up to 33 x dwellings with access from Yardley Road and all associated works (Phase 2) at Land At Warrington Road And Osier Way, Olney
14/02167/OUTEIS	Outline planning permission for the development of up to 410 dwellings; multi-functional green infrastructure (totalling approx 2.58 ha) including parkland; children's play areas, informal open space, allotments, woodland, landscaping and surface water attenuation; vehicular access via connections to adjoining development land to the west and east; internal street, footpaths and cycle ways at Land West of Eagle Farm South, South of A421, North of Lower End Road, Wavendon

D HACKFORTH
INTERIM ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

Public Notices

HIGHWAYS AGENCY

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)(A) THE A5 TRUNK ROAD (LITTLE BRICKHILL, MILTON KEYNES) NORTHBOUND (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 201_

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the A5 Trunk Road in Milton Keynes to enable carriageway resurfacing and associated works to be carried out in safety.

The works are expected to take place over 4 nights (9pm – 6am) beginning on or after Monday 3 November 2014.

The effect of the Order would be to close the A5 northbound -

- carriageway from the exit slip road leading to Watling Street, Little Brickhill to the A4146 Brickhill Street/Watling St Roundabout (known locally as Kelly's Kitchen Roundabout) – diverting local traffic via Watling Street Little Brickhill and A5 traffic via the A505 and A4146 to rejoin the A5 at Kelly's Kitchen Roundabout, and
- entry slip roads from Woburn Road and Watling Street, Little Brickhill.

The Order would come into force on 27 October 2014 and have a maximum duration of eighteen months.

The closures (which would not apply to works, emergency service or traffic officer vehicles) and diversion route would be clearly indicated by traffic signs throughout the works.

Mrs Y A Tomkins, An official of the Highways Agency

General Enquiries relating to this notice may be made in writing to Anna Graham at the Highways Agency, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7LW or by telephoning 01234 796104 or by email to anna.graham@highways.gsi.gov.uk

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LAND DRAINAGE ACT 1991

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A Gurney	Rectory Farm, Newton Road, Stoke Hammond, MK17 0EB	Farmer	Owner/Occupier
R Haynes	Tuckey Farm, East Claydon Road, Winslow, Buckingham, MK18 3ND	Farmer	Owner/Occupier
N Hawes	Briarhill Farm, Steeple Claydon, Buckingham, MK18 2EP	Farmer	Owner/Occupier
H J Hunt	Watergate Farm, Woburn Road, Hockliffe, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 9LN	Farmer	Owner/Occupier
H R G Powell-Shedden	Home Farm, Hardmead, Newport Pagnell, MK16 9LB	Accountant	Sitting Member
W D Prosser	Cedars Farm, Mursley, Milton Keynes, MK17 0RT	Farmer	Owner/Occupier

F Bowler (Returning Officer) 8th October 2014

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Maiden win for AFC as Akinfenwa strikes late

FROM BACK PAGE

to make it 1-0. Afobe almost made the most of some slack defending a couple of minutes later when he latched on to a ball in the box which the visitors should have cleared better, but Barry Fuller got in a last-ditch tackle to block the danger.

Afobe was almost in again when a through-ball was played for him, but his touch was a tad too strong, and the keeper easily gathered the ball up with eight minutes gone.

The home side had been on top for the opening quarter of the game, and Dons seemed happy to spread the ball around the park while they had a one-goal lead to defend.

Adebayo Azeez came very close to levelling proceedings after 22 minutes when he was inches away from connecting with a George Francomb free kick.

Dons had a penalty claim after 25 minutes when a Powell cross looked to have hit an AFC hand, but the referee waved away the shouts, and the hosts were pegged back on 26 minutes when the visitors levelled.

Jack Smith did some great work on the left to get past his man and put a dangerous cross into the box, and Azeez bundled the ball into the back of an empty net to make it 1-1, and put AFC back in the game.

On the half-hour, Tom Beere shot just over the bar after a cross looped over to him, and the goal had spurred some life into the League Two side.

Afobe then went up the other end and shot wide as Dons looked to take advantage of another sloppy back-pass, and the game had taken on a bit of bite thanks to the second goal.

Francomb took out Afobe in the 35th minute which earned him a yellow card, and Jake Nicholson followed him into the book for tugging Samir Carruthers back. After that dirty spell in the game from the visitors, Dons restored their control four minutes from half-time when they re-took the lead.

It was another poor pass back from AFC which saw Afobe latch on to the ball, and Shea came out of his goal very well to make the save on the Arsenal loanee.

Powell jumped on to the rebound, and looked to have been brought down in the box, but the ball fell kindly to Afobe, and he gratefully swept the ball into the back of the net to put Dons 2-1 up.

Francomb had a great opportunity to equalise immediately after when he ghosted on to a far post cross, but he could only shoot wide.

There was even time for Dean Bowditch to have a shot on target when Shea's clearance went straight to him after Tom Hitchcock beat the offside trap, but Andy Frampton cleared off the line.

AFC started the brighter of the two teams after the interval, and Azeez came close straight away while Dons skipper Dean Lewington wasn't far from connecting with a Bowditch corner on the hour mark.

The visitors brought on the big guns on the hour mark to get back in the game, with Akinfenwa, Sean Rigg and Matt Tubbs introduced.

Dons made a change of their own as well when former Coventry City skipper Carl Baker was given the final half-hour of the game to prove to Robinson what he could do.

But it was the AFC substitutions that proved an instant success when they made it 2-2 after 68 minutes.

Akinfenwa won the header in the middle of the park, and fellow sub Rigg smashed the ball goalbounds which proved too hot to handle for David Martin, who could only parry into his own net.

Akinfenwa then produced a diving header when he was free in the box which only just went over as AFC tried to turn the screw on Dons.

The goal ensured that it would be an exciting final 20 minutes of the tie, and Martin came up with a wondrous save in the 75th minute to claw the ball away from the top corner after Rigg got a great header away.

With 15 minutes left, Baker's shot bobbled to Afobe in the box, and the Arsenal man's strike into the ground nearly bounced over Shea and went in, but the AFC keeper scrambled the ball away to keep it at 2-2.

The game was end to end now, with Akinfenwa coming close, before Afobe shot wide from 20 yards.

Disaster struck with 10 minutes left though, as AFC took the lead to the delight of their fans. Rigg got to the byline and crossed for Akinfenwa, who tapped home from one yard out to put the visitors in front.

Now it was Dons who needed to get back in it, and Bowditch shot wide with seven minutes left, before Baker got a shot off that Shea saved.

Smith was put through by the influential Akinfenwa in the 85th minute to finish the game off, but he could only shoot at Martin.

Dons had pushed defender Kyle McFadzean up front, which left a space at the back, and three minutes from time Tubbs couldn't make the most of a counter-attack.

McFadzean could only swipe at thin air when he had a chance in the box two minutes from time after good work by Afobe to get to the byline and cross it in.

By this point you sensed that perhaps it would be AFC's evening, and so it was as they held on for victory.

Opener: Dons celebrate Dan Powell's goal. Picture: Andy Handley

FORMULA ONE

Daniil Kvyat to replace Sebastian Vettel at Red Bull Racing

DANIIL Kvyat will partner Daniel Ricciardo at Red Bull Racing next season after world champion Sebastian Vettel announced that he would be leaving the Tilbrook-based team.

Vettel has been outshone by his Red Bull teammate Ricciardo throughout the season, with the Aussie driver third in the standings on 193 points and Vettel fourth on 139.

The 27-year-old German looks set to replace Fernando Alonso at Ferrari next season, with the Spaniard in turn joining McLaren in 2015.

"It is not the first time I have been approached but it felt like the right time," Vettel told the BBC.

"I'm not leaving because I don't like the team or individuals, I'm not running away from anything.

"The voice inside me, the hunger to do something new was bigger. It was not the easiest decision but you have to listen to your heart."

Since joining the team in 2009, Vettel won 38 races, notched up 44 poles and eight World Championships, including four drivers' titles and four constructors'.

A Red Bull spokesman said: "We want to warmly thank Sebastian for the incredible role he has played at Infiniti Red Bull Racing for the last six years.

"As we wish Sebastian well in the next stage of his career, we also look to the future with excitement, as the vacancy makes way for the next generation of Red Bull racers.

"The Red Bull Junior Programme has developed some proven talents in recent times, including Vettel and Daniel Ricciardo, who has excelled in the RB10 and become a three-time Formula One race winner in his first season with the team.

"We're pleased to announce that Daniel will be joined in the team for 2015 by another rising star from the Junior Programme, Daniil Kvyat."

Kvyat has been racing for Red Bull's second team Toro Rosso this season, and has accrued eight points for them this season.

At the Japanese Grand Prix on Sunday, Vettel finished on the podium in third while Ricciardo was a place back in fourth, as new Red Bull man Kvyat came home just outside the points in 11th.

But the race was marred when it had to be stopped early after Marussia driver Jules Bianchi was involved in an accident which left him with a serious head injury.

The Frenchman was injured when his car left the track after Adrian Sutil had done so at the same place in the previous lap.

Bianchi's car hit a recovery vehicle that was removing Sutil's car.

He is currently in a critical but stable condition, according to the world motorsport governing body the FIA, and Vettel and Ricciardo couldn't help but worry about their colleague's condition.

"Everything that happened with the racing on track is secondary, one of us is in a bad shape and we don't yet know how he is," said Vettel.

"I think all the drivers really feel with him, as we know how difficult and slippery it was today."

Ricciardo said: "We heard he had a pretty big crash and it's not nice when we don't know if the driver is okay."

Christian Horner, team principal for Red Bull, said: "First of all, irrelevant of anything else, our thoughts are with Jules Bianchi and that he's okay; that is the absolute first priority.

"For the race, it was a strong race performance by the team with both drivers making great progress and some fantastic overtaking moves."

Lewis Hamilton won the race and now has a ten point lead over team-mate Nico Rosberg in the overall standings – as Mercedes continue to dominate the season.

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BADMINTON

Smashed by Surrey

FROM BACK PAGE

Jessica Pugh. Milton Keynes were yet to win a game, and up against a player with the quality Adcock possessed, match number three looked like a difficult task for the home duo.

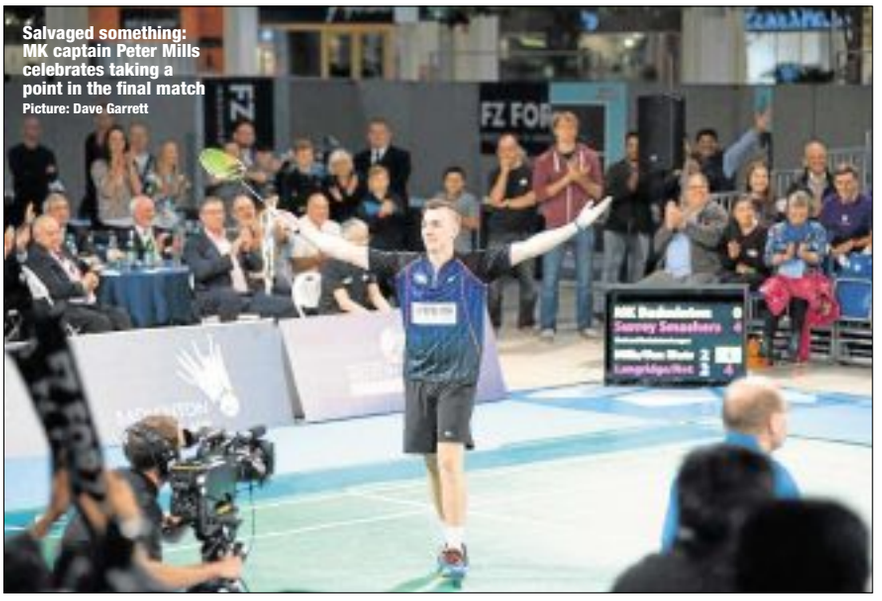
Lane and Pugh won the first two points, but it was one way traffic from there in the first game as Adcock and Wolfenden took it 9-3 with an impressive, aggressive display.

Adcock and Wolfenden then won the second game 9-2, but Lane and Pugh put in a great effort to go 6-5 and then 8-6 up in the third game.

The Smashers brought it back to a deciding 8-8, but Lane and Pugh dug deep with a superb winner to take the third 9-8, and give Milton Keynes their first success of the overall tie.

The MK duo pushed Adcock and Wolfenden all the way in the fourth game as well, with it once again going to a decider when the score was 8-8, but this time the Surrey pair got the winning point to win 9-8, and the Smashers had their third match out of three and overall victory.

Smashers continued their dominance in match number four as Soraya de Visch beat Elizabeth Cann 9-8, 9-4, 9-6 in a fairly comfortable victory.



Salvaged something: MK captain Peter Mills celebrates taking a point in the final match
Picture: Dave Garrett

Mills came out for the final game alongside van Rietvelde needing to win their match to avoid the Smashers picking up a clean sweep and giving MK a dreadful start to life in the NBL.

Chris Langridge and Matthew Nottingham won the first game 9-6, but Mills and van Rietvelde pulled it back to 1-1 with a 9-5 win in the second game.

It was the same pattern in the third and fourth games, with MK losing the third 9-6 but then taking the fourth game 9-8 to take the match to a decider.

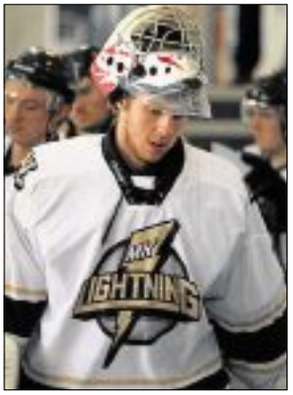
In fifth games of NBL matches, the game is first to five or the first to win by three clear points, and it really went to the wire, with Mills and van Rietvelde once again pulling the scores back when they were behind.

At 4-4, the MK pair won the last point to make it 4-1 overall, and give Milton Keynes their first point of the NBL.

Milton Keynes are next in action on November 3, away at Nottingham.

ICE HOCKEY

One eye on return home



Penalty hero: Jordan Hedley

MK LIGHTNING head coach Nick Poole admits the team has one eye on returning to the city's Planet Ice on October 18 after another inconsistent weekend.

Lightning will entertain Sheffield Steeldogs in their first match back in MK after exile in Coventry due to refurbishment works, and Poole says that he and his charges cannot wait to return home.

"I don't want to make excuses but it's tough at the moment with our training time and preparation for games," said Poole.

"Last year the whole year was on the road so there was no expectations and we got on with it.

"This year there is this waiting and we've had one eye on that October 18 start date, so we can't wait to get in there now."

Lightning overcame old rivals Peterborough Phantoms in dramatic style in the English Premier League on Saturday, prevailing after penalties, before falling to a 7-4 defeat to big-spending Telford Tigers on Sunday.

"There's a bit of inconsistency which is my biggest concern but we played some of the best hockey to date this season," said Poole.

Against Peterborough they struck up what seemed to be an unassailable four goal lead by the mid-point of the game before conceding three times to set up a tense final period.

That slender lead was extinguished within four minutes of the restart as Phantoms levelled and ended regulation time in the ascendancy. However, Lightning clung on to send the game into overtime and had netminder Jordan Hedley to thank for keeping them in the contest with three or four great saves.

All square at 4-4, penalty shots were needed – and Hedley was the hero, saving twice from Darius Pliskauskas and Will Weldon while Milan Kostourek fired straight through the middle to secure the points for Lightning.

Adam Carr put MK in the lead at Telford, but Peter Szabo equalised seconds later, and Tigers went on to take a 5-1 advantage.

Grant McPherson pulled one back for Lightning but Tigers were back to business when they went 7-2 up. Tom Carlon and Lewis Hook replied for Milton Keynes.

GOLF

Windmill Hill to host professional tournament

WINDMILL Hill Golf Centre in Bletchley is set to host its first professional tournament in nearly 25 years.

The Thomson Tour will hit the club's fairways on Monday, and the competition will see 50 professional golfers compete.

Dan Poulter, Windmill Hill's own head professional and brother of Ryder Cup superstar Ian, will be playing the course, as will teaching professional Mark Wall and professionals Sam Buss and Damian Woodward.

Started by PGA pro Jimmy Thomson 30 years ago, the Tour offers Winter golf and especially encourages up and coming golfers to play.

Windmill Hill, which has been run by Milton Keynes Council since last year, will be hosting the first event on this year's tour schedule.

Cllr Mick Legg, Cabinet member with responsibility for leisure, said: "It's great news to hear that Windmill Hill Golf Centre is hosting a tournament of this stature.

"The centre is a valuable asset to Milton Keynes, enabling golfers to play on a high quality course locally."

Since its conception many of the Thomson Tour's former members have gone on to make the European Tour and include some that have won major international honours along the way, including Ian Poulter, Simon Khan, Mark Litton and Daniel Brooks.

Competitors play for the prize fund out of their own money and could win £500.

Members of staff at the centre have worked to bring the course and facilities up to a standard worthy of hosting the Tour.

Since 2013 the club has grown in size and the quality of the facilities have improved significantly.

SPORTSSHORTS

RUGBY UNION

BLETCHLEY RFC continue to suffer in South West One East as they were beaten 11-7 by Grove, which keeps them bottom of the league. Milton Keynes and Olney did not have games at the weekend.

ATHLETICS

THE city's Olympic, Commonwealth and European long jump champion Greg Rutherford was crowned Marshall Milton Keynes Athletic Club's athlete of the year, while sportsperson of the year was given to runner Sophie Botham.

Richard Harrison completed round three of the Welsh Ultra Running Series, finishing 10th overall in the 50 mile 'Wye One Way' race.

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

NEWPORT Pagnell Town were knocked out of the FA Vase second qualifying round by Spartan South Midlands league leaders Berkhamstead 3-0.

In the United Counties League Division One, Deanio Bailey-Browne, Sam O'Neill, Darryl Smith, Jared Blunden and Daniel Webb got the goals as Olney Town beat Stewarts & Lloyds Corby 5-1.

Stony Stratford Town lost 5-2 to Hatfield Town in the Spartan South Midlands League Division One. In Division Two, Clean Slate beat Grendon Rangers 3-2, while Willen lost 1-0 to Pitstone & Ivinghoe and Wolverton Town were beaten 5-1 by Hale Leys United.

In the first round of the Anagram Records Trophy, New Bradwell St Peter won 5-2 against Edgware Town, and Old Bradwell United beat Bushey Sports Club 1-0.

Olney Town were beaten 5-0 by Eldorado Diamonds in the Berks & Bucks Sunday Intermediate Cup round two.

In the Milton Keynes Sunday League, Punjab United beat Inter Faith 6-4, The Garage MK lost 3-2 against Caz Bar, and Willen beat Swanfica 7-0.

ROLLER DERBY

MK Roller Derby's Co-Ed Breakers, a mixed gender team, will debut at Bletchley Leisure Centre against a mixed team of skaters from Suffolk Roller Derby and the Borderland Brawlers from Peterborough. For more information go to www.facebook.com/events/282663911939290.

SPEEDWAY

THE Midlands Development League play-off final between Milton Keynes Knights and Rye House Raiders on Sunday had to be abandoned.

The Raiders' Rob Watts flipped his bike doing a practice start prior to the scheduled first race of the final, and suffered a suspected broken coccyx and a possible lower back injury.

With Watts accompanied to hospital by the track doctor, no medical cover remained at the West Row circuit in Mildenhall, causing the abandonment of the fixture. A new date is still to be confirmed.

HOCKEY

MILTON Keynes Men's 1sts were soundly beaten 7-0 by Old Georgians in their first game of the South Hockey League Premier Division One season.

The Ladies team didn't fare any better as they were beaten 4-2 by Banbury, which leaves them

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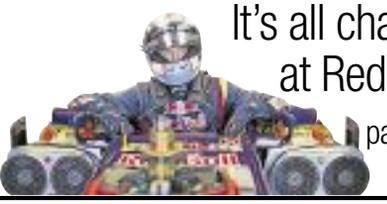

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Trophy hopes vanish as AFC claim bragging rights

JOHNSTONE'S PAINT TROPHY R2
MILTON KEYNES DONS 2
AFC WIMBLEDON 3

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DONS slipped to their first defeat against bitter rivals AFC Wimbledon last night as Adebayo Akinfenwa bagged the winner in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy.

The striker dubbed 'The Beast' due to his considerable frame settled the third meeting between the two foes to knock Dons out of the competition they won in 2008.

Much has been made of the history and ill feeling between the two clubs and although this defeat was in a competition considered unimportant by some, the result against the League Two outfit will still hurt those of a Dons persuasion.

Twice Dons led through Daniel Powell and Benik Afobe but AFC battled back to secure a significant result in their club's history.

"I'd like to apologise to the fans," said Dons boss Karl Robinson. "We let ourselves down and weren't good enough, it's as simple as that.

"It [defeat to AFC] had to happen sometime and it's happened now."

It was the second time this season that the two sides had met after Dons' 3-1 League Cup victory and home fans could hardly have hoped for a better start when Powell pounced on a mistake in the AFC defence with just two minutes on the clock.

The winger, who has impressed for Dons this season, took advantage of a loose backpass, rounded keeper James Shea, and slotted the ball into the back of the empty net

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Knocked out: Vanishing spray – introduced in the JPT this season – being used at stadiummk yesterday

It's the dawn of a bright new era as NBL takes flight at the centre:mk

HISTORY was made in Milton Keynes on Monday night as the first ever National Badminton League match was played out at the centre:mk.

Surrey Smashers impressed as they won the first four out of five matches to beat the city's MK Badminton 4-1, but home captain Peter Mills and his men's doubles partner Paul van Rietvelde won the final clash to put some respectability on the scoreline and give the 500 plus crowd something to cheer about.

"It was massively important to win the last match and we didn't want to start the league off with a 5-0 loss," said Mills. "We had a few close games and we felt a bit hard done by to be 4-0 down, but we had some good performances. We had to get a point on the board and we did that."

It's a brave new world for the sport, with shorter games and a powerplay point which counts double introduced, and Mills enjoyed playing using the fresh format.

"I liked the excitement of having a lot of quick games," he said.

"I definitely like the powerplay and the crowd get involved – the atmosphere was brilliant."

The first match saw the plucky Sam Parsons narrowly beaten by Carl Baxter. The Surrey man defeated the MK player 9-8, 9-4, 9-8 in a battling opening contest to give the Smashers the best possible start.

Sophie Brown and Sophie Sankey were next to line up for MK as they took on Eefje Muskens and Emily Westwood in the women's doubles, but the Surrey duo looked impressive as they picked their opponents apart in a 9-6, 9-6, 9-4 success.

The arguable highlight of the night was the mixed doubles which saw Surrey's world number five Gabby Adcock line up alongside Tom Wolfenden against MK's Ben Lane and

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